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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7380 NOTE PREPARED: Jan 11, 2003

BILL NUMBER: HB 1799 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Hunting and Fishing License Service Fees.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Bottorff

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: State

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<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill provides that a license agent who receives at least 90% of the agent's gross income from the sale of sporting goods receives a \$1 service fee for each hunting and fishing license purchased with a credit card.

Effective Date: July 1, 2003.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues: This bill would allow certain agents to retain an additional \$0.25 service fee per license sold via a credit card transaction. The Department of Natural Resources reported that in CY 2001 independent license agents sold 1,121,715 licenses totaling \$11,536,793 in revenue. This provision would reduce DNRs revenue by an amount determined by the number of licenses sold via credit card transactions by agents who receive at least 90% of their gross income from the sale of sporting goods. Based on the number of licenses sold in CY 2001, the maximum amount of additional revenue the DNR could lose is \$280,428 (1,121,715 x .25). The revenue loss would be less than the maximum and proportional to the number of licenses sold using a credit card transaction. Hunting and fishing license revenue is deposited in the Fish and Wildlife Fund.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Department of Natural Resources.

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Local Agencies Affected:

<u>Information Sources:</u> Department of Natural Resources.

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